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## PETITION TO ASSIGN EARLIER FILING DATE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.10 (C) AND REQUEST FOR CORRECTION OF FILING RECEIPT

Sir:

On September 10, 2001, we received the official Filing Receipt in connection with the above-identified patent application (copy enclosed), which lists an incorrect filing date of the subject Application.

The present Petition is a request to assign the earlier filing date of July 24, 2001 for the above-referenced Application. The Application was originally filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office on July 24, 2001 via Express Mail No. <a href="EL627465605US"><u>EL627465605US</u></a>. We have enclosed a copy of the Express Mail Receipt for your reference. It should be noted that the receipt reflects the July 24, 2001 filing date.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail with sufficient postage in an envelope addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D. C. 20231 on

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It is respectfully submitted that the present Application was mailed via Express Mail on July 24, 2001 with the correct amount of postage placed on the Express Mail envelope. Therefore, it is requested that the present Application be assigned the filing date of July 24, 2001, the date pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.10 (C), the date the subject Application was filed.

Accordingly, the following information needs to be corrected on the official Filing Receipt due to a PTO error regarding the patent application's filing date. Please change:

FROM:

Filing Date:

July 25, 2001

TO:

Filing Date:

July 24, 2001

The enclosed copy of the Filing Receipt has been redlined to indicate the correct filing date. Please correct your records to reflect the above information and then forward to us a corrected Filing Receipt.

Please charge any shortages and credit any overcharges to our Deposit Account No. 02-2666.

Respectfully submitted,

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